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SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WORLD FOOD COUNCIL: MAURICE
WILLIAMS

REF: CANBERRA 2670 (NOTAL)

1. APPRECIATE YOUR APPROACH TO DFA.
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2. RE PARA 3 REFTTEL, MATTER IS STRAIGHTFORWARD. U.S.
CANDIDATE HAS LIMITED TERM IN PRESENT DAC ASSIGNMENT,
WHERE WE BELIEVE HE HAS DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB. HIS
EXPERIENCE IS SUCH THAT WE THINK HE ALSO WOULD BE IDEAL
LEADER FOR WFC. AFTER WEIGHING HIS CANDIDACY WITH OTHER
POSSIBLE CHOICES WITHIN AND WITHOUT U.S., WE CONCLUDED

HIS NOMINATION SHOULD GO FORWARD.

3. THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION WAS FILLED EARLIER BY SARTAG AZIZ (PAKISTAN) WHO WAS LOANED TO IFAD DURING ITS PREPARATORY STAGES. HE NOW HAS ACCEPTED A PERMANENT POSITION WITH IFAD. HARRY WALTERS (US) WAS ACTING IN THE AZIZ POSITION FOR SOME TIME BUT RECENTLY WAS PLACED OFFICIALLY IN THE DEPUTY POST. OUR ASSUMPTION, BASED ON TALKS WITH WALTERS AND OTHERS, IS THAT HE DOES NOT EXPECT TO REMAIN IN THE POSITION IF WILLIAMS IS

APPOINTED AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. WE WOULD NORMALLY EXPECT WILLIAMS TO SELECT A DEPUTY FROM A DEVELOPING COUNTRY IF APPOINTED.

4. WE TOO HAVE HEARD THE MILLS RUMOR BUT HAVE NOTHING TO SUPPORT IT. CHRISTOPHER

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